

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 2686 - SB 2691**

February 11, 2010

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes graduates of engineering technology programs who have six or more years of progressive experience on engineering projects to take the Fundamental Engineering Exam (FE).

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$7,500/One-Time/Board of Architectural and  
Engineers Examiners**

**Increase State Revenue - \$900/One-Time/Board of Architectural and  
Engineers Examiners  
\$4,200/Recurring/Every Two Years/  
Board of Architectural and  
Engineers Examiners  
\$12,000/Recurring/General Fund**

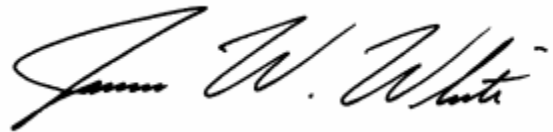
**Assumptions:**

- According to the Department of Commerce and Insurance (C & I), there will be a \$7,500 one-time increase in state expenditures for rule making. Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all regulatory boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2008, the Board had a positive balance of \$598,079.52. According to the Department, the \$7,500 will be taken from this balance.
- C & I estimates that approximately 30 new applicants will take the test and be licensed. These new applicants will pay a one-time \$30 application fee and a \$140 registration fee that must be renewed every two years. Application and licensure fees will go to the Board. The one-time increase in state revenue for application fees is approximately \$900 (30 x \$30). The recurring increase in state revenue every two years will be approximately \$4,200 (30 x \$140).

- The Department of Revenue will collect an annual \$400 professional privilege tax. This revenue will be recurring and go into the state general fund. The recurring increase in state general fund revenue will be approximately \$12,000 (30 x \$400).

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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